Spruce Cottage Farm

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Plant List and Order Form 2024

Healthy plants for vibrant vegetables, fabulous flowers and happy herbs.

Orders will be available at the nursery the beginning of June and onwards.

Please contact me by phone, email or regular mail to place your order (if you would like this order form electronically or in your PO Box, please contact me with your request).

Varieties marked with * are available as a single pot: \$2.85 plus gst where applicable.

Varieties marked with * are available as a 2-pack: \$4.85 plus gst where applicable.

Varieties marked with ^ are available as a large 6-pack: \$13.85 plus gst where applicable.

Varieties that have no symbol are specialty sizes and will be priced at checkout.

A 50% deposit is required on all orders, along with a non-refundable handling fee.

Availability of plants is dependant on a number of factors beyond my control; this year's list may change without notice and appropriate substitutions will be made, if required.

Ordering is not the only way to purchase plants!

The Plant Nursery, located at 103121 Alaska Highway, will be open weekends in May and June. Opening day is Friday May 3, 2024!

Come out to the greenhouse to peruse the shelves!

Vegetables

	Quantity		Quantity
~ Artichoke 'Imperial Star F1'		~ Climbing Spinach 'Red Malabar'; vining and succulent	
* Arugula; nutty, spicy leaves		~ Eggplant 'Patio Baby F1'; dwarf fruit and plant	
~^ Broccoli 'Aspabroc F1'; Broccolini-type, shoots		*^ Fennel 'Antares Hybrid'; anise-flavoured bulbs	
~^ Broccoli 'Nutri-Bud'; large heads, many shoots		* Green Onion 'Summer Isle'; perfect scallions!	
~^ Broccoli 'Sibsey Artwork F1'; early, multi-purpose		~^ Kale 'Red Russian'; my favourite kale!	
~^ Broccoli 'Di Cicco'; medium heads, many shoots		~^ Kale 'Nero di Toscana'; dinosaur kale	
~^ Broccoli 'Imperial F1'; large heads, late summer		*^ Kohlrabi 'Kolibri F1'; purple skin	
~^ Brussels Sprouts 'Jade Cross F1'		*^ Kohlrabi 'Konan F1'; green skin	
~^ Cabbage 'Early Jersey Wakefield'; pointed		* Leek 'Tadorna'; summer/fall leek	

~^ Cabbage 'Alcosa F1'; savoyed	* Lettuce 'Red Salad Bowl'; red oakleaf
~^ Cabbage 'Primero F1'; red	* Lettuce 'Royal Oakleaf'; green oakleaf
* Carrot 'Paris Market Atlas'; round and tasty	* Lettuce 'Parris Island Cos'; romaine
~^ Cauliflower 'Snow Crown F1'; white	* Lettuce 'Buttercrunch'; buttercrunch
~^ Cauliflower 'Amazing' (O/P); white	* Lettuce 'Great Lakes 659'; iceberg
~^ Cauliflower 'Fioretto F1'; sprouting, shoots	~ Melon 'Earlichamp F1'; early cantelope
* Celeriac 'Giant Prague'; great storage veg	~ New Zealand Spinach; loves heat!
~ Cucumber 'Salad Bush F1'; container, parthenocarpic	* Onion 'Norstar F1'; yellow cooking
~ Celery 'Tango'	* Onion 'Red Tropeana Lunga'; pungent, oblong shape
~Cucumber 'Sweet Success F1'; parthenocarpic	* Pea 'Super Sugar Snap'; snap pea, edible pod
~ Cucumber 'Lisboa F1'; parthenocarpic	* Pea 'Grundy-Perfect Arrow'; shelling pea
~ Cucumber 'Corentine'; pickling, parthenocarpic	~ Pepper 'Early Jalapeno'; classic hot pepper
~ Pepper 'Snackabelle Red'; mini sweet bell pepper	Tomato 'Yellow Pear'; yellow cherry; vine
* Salad Green – Red Orach	Tomato 'Manitoba'; early salad; bush
* Salad Green – Red Giant Mustard	Tomato 'Silvery Fir'; early salad; bush
* Salad Green – Mizuna	Tomato 'Stupice'; early salad; bush
* Salad Green - Peppercress	Tomato 'Roma'; paste; bush
~ Summer Squash 'Yellow Pattypan'	* Tomatillo; for salsa verde!
* Swiss Chard 'Bright Lights'; multi-coloured stems	~ Watermelon 'Jade Duchess F1'; early and productive
* Swiss Chard 'Lucullus'; green stems	~ Winter Squash 'Early Butternut F1'; butternut
Tomato 'Tumbler F1'; for hanging baskets; bush	~ Winter Squash 'Pinnacle F1'; spaghetti
Tomato 'Tiny Tim'; red cherry; mini bush	~ Zucchini 'Black Beauty'; classic green zuke
Tomato 'Gold Nugget'; yellow cherry; bush	~ Zucchini 'Eight Ball F1'; round
Tomato 'Principe Borghese'; red cherry; bush	
	Subtotal Vegetable Single: x \$2.85 =
	Subtotal Vegetable 2-pack: x \$4.85 =
	Subtotal Vegetable Lg 6-pack:x \$13.85 =
	Total Vegetables =

Annual Flowers

Quan	ntity	Quantity
* Ageratum 'Aloha Blue'; Floss Flower - fuzzy blue buttons on small bushy plants	* Dianthus 'Carpet Series Mix'; dwarf, mounding plants with masses of blooms in a mix of red, pink, carmine, picotee and white	
* Alyssum 'New Carpet of Snow'; bright white flowers with a sweet honey scent, nectar-rich	Geranium 'Red'; classic container plant	
* Aster 'Milady Mix'; fully double flowers in a pastel range on compact plants	~ Gallairdia 'Firewheels'; red petals with yellow tips, great for pollinators	
~ Asarina; Twining Snapdragon, pastel-coloured tubular flowers on vigorous vines	* Larkspur 'QIS Misty Lavender; lavender-grey double flowers on long stems	
* Bachelor's Button 'Blue Boy'; clear blue flowers on this classic cottage garden flower	* Lobelia 'Regatta Sky Blue'; bluebird-blue flowers on trailing plants	
* Bachelor's Button 'Lady Mauve'; lavender-pink flowers, great for pollinators	* Lobelia 'Midnight Blue'; navy blue flowers on trailing plants	
~ Bacopa 'Snowtopia'; spreading plants with single white flowers, vigorous and pretty!	* Lobelia 'Regatta Rose'; bright pink flowers with a white throat on trailing plants	
* Calendula 'Snow Princess'; creamy white flowers with a hint of yellow, hardy and easy to grow	* Lobelia 'Regatta Lilac'; soft lilac flowers on trailing plants	
* Calendula 'Erfurter Orange'; bright orange double flowers make this pot marigold pop	* Lavatera 'Silver Cup'; heritage cottage garden plant, with striking pink flowers	
* Calendula 'Orange Flash'; soft peachy-coloured flowers abound on this tall calendula	* Marigold 'Burning Embers'; large bushy plants support dainty flowers in fire-toned shades	
* Calendula 'Bon Bon Mixed'; dwarf calendula in shades of orange, cream, yellow and apricot	* Marigold 'Antigua Mix'; compact, African-type with yellow, orange and gold pom-pom flowers	
* Calendula 'Indian Prince'; orange petals backed with mahogany form double flowers, great for	* Marigold 'Orange Hawaii'; tall, African-type with fully double, bright orange flowers, great for flower	
cutting and pollinators Cerinthe; striking grey-green foliage with blue	garlands! * Marigold (French) 'Alumia Vanilla Cream'; creamy	
bracts and purple bell flowers – a showstopper!	yellow double flowers on compact plants, companion plant	
* Clarkia 'Choice Mix'; fully double flowers in pastel purple shades, heat and drought tolerant	* Marigold (French) 'Fireball'; fully double, deep red blooms fade to shades of orange as they age, companion plant	
* Cosmos 'Cosmic Orange'; sulphureus-type with bright orange flowers on short, sturdy plants	* Marigold (French) 'Strawberry Blonde'; fully- double blooms in a pretty range of shades brighten up any container, companion plant	
* Cosmos 'Apricotta'; airy foliage and sturdy stems support irregular-edged flowers in blush shades, with yellow and pink accents	* Marigold (French) 'Queen Sofia'; fully double deep-orange petals edged in gold, companion plant	
* Cosmos 'Sonata'; a dwarf form of Cosmos in a lovely mix of colours from white to crimson, great for containers	* Marigold 'Cracker Jack Mix'; African-type with double carnation-like blooms in shades of orange and yellow	
* Marigold (miniature); 'Lemon Gem'; delightful lemon-scented foliage and small pretty flowers	* Petunia 'Supercascade Blue'; large deep blue flowers, grandiflora type	
* Marigold (miniature) 'Orange Gem'; delightful lemon-scented foliage and small pretty flowers	* Petunia 'Supercascade Red'; large bright red flowers, grandiflora type	
* Marigold (miniature) 'Red Gem'; delightful lemon-scented foliage and small pretty flowers	* Petunia 'Supercascade Rose'; large pink flowers, grandiflora type	
* Mesembryanthemum, Ice Plant 'Livingstone Daisy Mix'; vibrant blooms on mat-forming, drought-tolerant plants	* Petunia 'Supercascade Pink'; large soft pink flowers, grandiflora type	
* Mignonette; highly scented, greenish flowers, excellent nectar plant * Mirabilis 'Marbles Mix'; Four o Clocks;	* Petunia 'Supercascade Burgundy'; large rich red flowers, grandiflora type Wave Petunia 'Evening Scentsation'; indigo-blue	
trumpet-shaped blooms abound on sturdy plants Morning Glory 'Grandpa Ott's'; vigorous vines	blooms with a satiny sheen, cascading and fragrant Wave Petunia - Purple	
with small two-toned flowers of purple and red Morning Glory 'Blue Picotee'; striking blue flowers with white edges on vigorous vines	Wave Petunia – Blue	
~ Morning Glory 'Sunrise Serenade'; unusual, rosy- red, double curly flowers on pretty vines	Wave Petunia – Lavender Sky Blue	
~ Nasturtium 'Canary Bird Vine'; pretty yellow flowers on fast growing vines	Wave Petunia – Coral Crush	

* Nasturtium 'Empress of India'; bushy plants with	Wave Petunia - Silver
dark foliage and scarlet flowers	We a Data size Country Value
* Nasturtium 'Glorious Gleam'; vigorous trailing	Wave Petunia – Carmine Velour
vines with classic nasturtium flower colours	Wave Petunia – Plum Vein
* Nasturtium 'Dwarf Jewel Double Mix'; brightly coloured double flowers on bushy plants	vvave retuina – Piuni vein
* Nasturtium 'Honolulu Mix'; vigorous vines sport	Wave Petunia - Yellow
unusual split-petal flowers in fiery shades	Trave retaina renov
* Nemesia 'Carnival Mix'; beautiful mix of colours,	* Poppy 'Amazing Grey'; striking lilac-smoke-grey
easy and will grow in part shade	flowers on this Shirley poppy, great for pollinators
* Nemesia 'Poetry Mix'; fragrant blooms in shades	* Coloridada (Karra Blue), etailine arrada and black
of lavender, pink, blue and white on bushy plants	* Salpiglossis 'Kew Blue'; striking purple and black flowers about on sturdy plants
* Nicotiana 'Daylight Sensation Mix'; fragrant	* Salvia 'Mojave Salmon'; compact and branching,
trumpet-shaped flowers on tall plants	with salmon pink flower spikes
^ Ornamental Kale 'Crystal Mix'; glossy leaves in a	* Salvia 'Mojave Purple'; compact and branching,
mix of red, white and pink, frost-tolerant	with dark purple flower spikes
* Painted Sage; colourful bracts on this Salvia	* Schizanthus; delicate orchid-like blooms in a
stand out in mass plantings, blooms til frost	pastel pallet of colours, easy to grow
* Paper Daisy 'Sensations Giants'; rose, pink, white	~ Silene 'Sibella Carmine'; vigorous, bushy plants
flowers with yellow button centres, great for drying	are covered in bright pink, self-cleaning flowers
*^ Pansy 'Frizzle Sizzle Mix'; ruffled petals in a	~ Snapdragon 'Potomac Royal'; deep berry blooms
beautiful range of colours	on tall plants, great for cutting and frost-tolerant
*^ Pansy 'Swiss Giants Mix'; large, velvety blooms on	~ Snapdragon 'Potomac Apple Blossom'; bicolour
compact, vigorous plants in classic pansy colours	blooms on tall plants, great for cutting and frost-tolerant
* Pansy 'Tiger Eye Red'; small, fragrant yellow and	~ Snapdragon 'Potomac Dark Orange'; peachy pink blooms on tall plants, great for cutting and frost-tolerant
mahogany flowers with striking burgundy veins	
* Pansy 'Nature Mulberry Shades'; rich red and	~ Snapdragon 'Potomac White'; pure white blooms
purple blooms fade beautifully as they age	on tall plants, great for cutting and frost-tolerant
*^ Pansy 'Giant Exhibition Mix'; heirloom, large- flowered in a mix of blue, orange, purple, red,	~ Snapdragon 'Potomac Lavender'; lilac-pink blooms on tall plants, great for cutting and frost-
white and yellow	tolerant
*^ Pansy 'Super Chalon'; large, ruffled flowers in a	~ Snapdragon 'Potomac Red'; dark, rich red blooms on
lovely range of colours	tall plants, great for cutting and frost-tolerant
*^ Pansy 'Trimardeau Mix'; jeweled tone flowers	~ Snapdragon 'Potomac Dark Pink'; bright pink blooms
on hardy plants	on tall plants, great for cutting and frost-tolerant
* Petunia 'Double Cascade Orchid Mist'; fully	~ Snapdragon 'Floral Showers Mix'; dwarf plants
double flowers in delicate pink on compact plants	with a bright colour mix of blooms
* Petunia 'Double Cascade Blue'; fully double	* Stocks 'Harmony Mix'; wonderfully fragrant
flowers of deep blue on compact plants	double flowers on bushy, easy-care plants
* Petunia 'Double Cascade Burgundy'; double	* Stocks 'Starlight Scentsation'; Evening-Scented
flowers in a rich red on compact plants	Stock; airy, fragrant flowers, sun to part shade
* Petunia 'Supercascade White'; large bright white	~ Strawflower 'Swiss Giants Mix'; the classic
flowers, grandiflora type	everlasting flower
* Swan River Daisy – White; simple daisy-type	~ Tithonia 'Fiesta Del Sol'; a compact variety, suited
flowers on easy-care, bushy plant	to containers, with large, velvety-orange flowers
* Swan River Daisy – Purple; simple daisy-type	* Verbena 'Tuscany Mix'; bushy plants abound with
flowers on easy-care, bushy plants	blooms in a wide range of colours
* Sweet Pea 'Royal Family'; classic colour mix with	*^ Viola 'Back to Black'; very dark, small flowers
* Sweet Pea 'Old Spice Mix'; lovely mix of heirloom	*^ Viola 'Rose Antique Gem'; pink, maroon and
varieties, highly fragrant in a beautiful colour range	yellow flowers abound on this vigorous viola
~ Sunflower 'Suntastic'; creamy yellow blooms on	*^ Viola 'Mixed Colours'; a pretty mix of colours on
compact plants, pollenless	hardy plants
~ Sunflower 'Teddy Bear'; sunny yellow double	* Venidium 'Orange Prince'; striking orange flowers
flowers on compact plants	with black centres on silvery green foliage
~ Sunflower 'Autumn Beauty'; tall plants abound with	* Viola tricolour 'Heartsease'; also known as
beautiful sunflowers in shades of red, brown and	Johnny-Jump-Up, self-seeding viola, grown since
yellow.	medieval times
~ Thunbergia, Black Eyed Susan Vine; vigorous	Flowers Single: x \$2.85 =
vines sport tubular flowers in a mix of orange,	Flowers 2-pack: x \$4.85 =
yellow and white	Wave Petunia Single: x \$4.85 =
	Wave Petunia 2-pack: x \$9.35 =
	Subtotal Flowers = GST @ 5% =
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Herbs

	Quantity	Quantity
~ Anise Hyssop (Agastache foeniculum); licorice- scented leaves and spiky purple flowers; great bee plant	~ Lemongrass; wonderful in teas and Thai cooking, will over-winter inside	
~ Basil 'Sweet'; great container basil, pop a few in with the tomatoes - the plants complement each other	~ Lemon Balm (Melissa officinalis); fresh lemony flavour, great in tea	
* Basil 'Cinnamonette'; distinctive cinnamon taste and odour, an ornamental edible!	* Oregano 'Greek'; strong spicy flavour, dries well	
* Borage; clear blue, edible start flowers and blue- grey foliage, self-seeds and great for bees	* Parlsey 'Dark Green Italian'; large flat leaves, great parsley flavour	
* Chervil; a delicate anise-flavoured herb, add just before serving; also a superb companion plant, providing a source of nectar and habitat for beneficial insects, pollinators and bees	* Parsley 'Forest Green'; curly, crinkled leaves with classic flavour	
* Chamomile, German; the classic tea herb, keep flowers picked to encourage more blooms	~ Sage (Salvia officinalis); grey-green foliage and an essential flavour for poultry	
~ Catnip; a medicinal herb used to aid sleep and, of course, a well-known kitty treat!	~ Spearmint; this sweet mint is lovely in tea, summer salads, mojitos and more!	
Chives; perennial garden favorite, plant a clump in the cold frame for extra-early chives	* Summer Savoury; the classic herb for beans, summer savory's pleasant flavour lends itself well to any dish - the purplish-pink flowers in the summer are a bonus!	
* Cilantro; nothing beats your own fresh cilantro; also a superb companion plant, providing a source of nectar and habitat for beneficial insects, pollinators and bees	~ Sweet Annie (Artemisia annua); sweetly fragrant foliage with finely cut leaves, great for potpourri (not edible)	
* Dill; a superb companion plant, providing a source of nectar and habitat for beneficial insects, pollinators and bees as well as many fronds of fresh dill!	* Sweet Marjoram; a strong spicy flavour gives this herb in the Oregano family a bit of a kick, great for stew, wild meat and sausage	
~ French Sorrel 'Green de Belleville'; strong lemony flavour on this tender perennial	* Thyme, English; lovely flavour and vigorous growth, great to dry for the winter	
~ Lavender 'Ellagance Purple'; dark purple, fragrant flower spikes, may over winter inside	Herbs Single: x \$2.85 = Herbs 2-pack: x \$4.85 =	
	Total Herbs =	
	Handling Fee: \$30.00	
	Total Vegetables: Total Flowers:	
	Total Herbs:	
	ORDER TOTAL:	

Open-pollinated and Hybrid Explained

I grow a mix of open-pollinated and hybrid varieties. Open-pollinated seeds are produced by crossing two parent plants of the same variety (in the same species) to produce offspring (seeds) just like the parent plants.

Open-pollinated varieties have generally been grown for many years. Hybrid seeds are produced by crossing two parent plants of different varieties within the same species. The resulting offspring (seeds) will have characteristics from both parents.

It is important to note the difference between hybrid and genetically engineered: hybrid seeds are crosses between the same species and genetically engineered seeds are the result of manipulating DNA between different species.

I grow open-pollinated varieties in order to save seed from them. I grow hybrid varieties for plants that take longer to mature or flower as hybrid varieties usually have a shorter time to maturity than open-pollinated varieties.

While hybrids are useful, they can also be expensive, propagation-proprietary and owned by multi-national corporations.

Seed saving is an important link in the sustainability chain and a must if we don't want to lose the diversity in our seed lines.

If you would like more information on saving your own seeds, please do not hesitate to contact me with your questions.

Attracting and Keeping Beneficial Insects, Pollinators and Bees

Growing plants that provide habitat and food for beneficial insects, pollinators and bees is the best way to attract and keep them in your garden or greenhouse. Diversity is an important part of a healthy garden and mixed plantings of flowers, herbs, annuals and perennials allows diversity to flourish.

Beneficial insects and pollinators need more than blooming plants to thrive. They need a shallow dish of water with gravel in it to provide a place to land and sip (I have a small tray of mud that I keep moist for the same purpose) as well as undisturbed plantings or wild habitat to lay eggs and allow the larvae to develop into adults. Once the larvae are adults, they will need plants rich in nectar to continue their life cycle. Throughout their life cycle, these good bugs are eating the not so good bugs that harm the crops we want to eat or enjoy.

The Yukon is fortunate to have a number of species of solitary bees and bumble bees that live here. These bees do not live in hives or produce honey as we know it. These bees are the first bees out in the spring and they are responsible for pollinating the wild fruits that we enjoy as well as many of our garden crops. It is so important to support our population of wild bees as wild bee species are disappearing at a rapid rate all over the planet. Without wild bees, the yields of our forest fruits, domestic fruit trees, domestic fruits and crops is drastically reduced. Providing undisturbed habitat, such as perennial plant beds or a windbreak/border of wild plants allows queen bumble bees to overwinter in protected areas. The queen bumble bees then emerge in the spring and find natural chambers in the ground to build their nest, lay eggs and nurture their larvae. Solitary bees use hollow stems, cracks and channels in old wood to lay their eggs, with a ball of pollen and nectar, then seal the cell up with mud and create a new cell in the line. These eggs overwinter and in the spring emerge as solitary bees to start the cycle again. Solitary bee houses can be purchased or made to provide a place for the bees to lay their eggs. Providing plants rich in pollen and nectar provides food for adult wild bees to nurture their young and ensure the next generation of wild bees.

Plants for Beneficial Insects, Pollinators and Bees

Alyssum, Anise Hyssop, Arugula Flowers, Asclepias, Basil, Borage, Brassica Flowers, Cilantro, Chervil, Dill, Bergamot, Chamomile, Chives, Fennel, Parsley, Sage, Thyme, Cosmos, Lovage, Lobelia, Marigold, Mignonette, Phacelia, Bachelor's Buttons, Nigella, Verbena, Calendula, Evening Scented Stocks, Sweet Marjoram, Summer Savoury, Yarrow, Poppy, Clover

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